

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : Frank Eidam
FOR : **LOCKING RING**
SERIAL NO. : 10/699,902
FILED : November 3, 2003
EXAMINER : James R Brittain
ART UNIT : 3677
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. : BGEE 2 00025

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 11, 2008, Applicants amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.